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I write today as the Co President of the Darien League of Women Voters in full support of Senate Bill 184 and House Bill 5262. Extending through 11/08/2022 the ability to claim illness or fear of illness as eligibility to vote absentee. Extending eligibility to vote absentee will allow for maximum participation in the upcoming election. We look forward to the day when no excuse absentee voting will be placed on the ballot as a referendum question but until that happens we support the effort to extend eligibility as outlined in SB 184 and HB 5262. Covid is still with us and these bills are so important.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted

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